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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 28, 2004,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this
paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing
of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 8 of this
paper and include two annotated sheets showing changes.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

An Appendix is attached following the signature page of
this paper.